

# JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



### **News Release**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### Frederick County Agency Updates for July 2, 2020

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#### **Change in Frequency of Updates:**

\*\*Beginning in July, updates from the Frederick County Joint Information Center for COVID-19 will be released on Tuesdays and Thursdays, unless there is an urgent update. Statistics will continue to be updated daily at <a href="http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats">http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats</a>\*\*

#### **County Executive:**

Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner today announced improvements in several key health measures related to COVID-19. Hospital statistics have significantly improved, with no COVID patients in intensive care for the past week. Emergency medical transports also declined to a single coronavirus patient over the previous eight days.

"We have made great progress but we can't afford to drop our guard over the Fourth of July," said Executive Gardner. "If your community is putting on a fireworks display, watch the show from your porch or car. If you choose to go to a park or beach, stay at least 6 feet from people who don't live with you. Wear a mask, keep your distance, and wash your hands. These are simple steps that can make a huge difference in the health of our entire community."

In Frederick County, 9.9% of the population has been tested for the virus. The rate of people testing positive has dropped to 3.1%, below the statewide average. Four of the nine nursing homes in Frederick County are now eligible to receive limited visitors under strict State health standards. To qualify, there need to be no positive cases among staff or residents for at least 14 days.

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#### **Frederick County Health Department:**

Confirmed Cases

2,501

Change in Last 24 Hours: +8

Confirmed Deaths

111

Change in Last 24 Hours: +0

7-Day Positivity Rate

3.1%

Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats.

#### Upcoming Testing Clinics

The Frederick County Health Department testing clinics are open to the public with no appointment. Face coverings and physical distancing are required, but no documentation, insurance, or doctor's order is needed. Testing is FREE and you don't have to be sick to be tested. Go to health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus for details.

Upcoming testing clinics will be at:

- Thursdays in Brunswick at Railroad Square from 5-7pm
- Fridays in Thurmont in the municipal building parking lot, 615 E. Main Street, from 5-7pm
- Tuesdays at the Seton Center, 226 Lincoln Ave in Emmitsburg, 12-2pm

#### *Ready to Celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup>?*

As you celebrate this weekend, please remember to wear your face coverings, stay 6 feet away from people outside your household, be careful lighting fireworks, and have fun!

- If you attend a public display, remember to physically distance, wear a face covering, and bring hand sanitizer
- Watch a public fireworks display from your car
- Follow firework laws and safety guidelines.



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#### For more information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19.

Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: //cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19
- Frederick County Government: www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Frederick County Health Department: <u>health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus</u>
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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## **GET TESTED**

Stop the spread of COVID-19!

Testing is FREE

No insurance or doctor's note or documents

You don't have to be sick

Results in 2-4 days



## **HAGÁSE LA PRUEBA**

¡Detenga la propagación del COVID-19!

La prueba es GRATIS

No necesita seguro o nota de un médico o documentos

No tiene que estar enfermo

Resultados en 2-4 días